Commencing the New Year Well

IT WAS with the certainty that Allied victory is assured that we commenced the present year. Those who tried to give substance to the shadows of coming events differed only in the degree of their optimism. Some predicted victory this year. Others considered that 1944 would see the end of German resistance in Europe, but that the war with Japan would not end so soon. In essentials, however, all were in agreement. All agreed that the final and decisive victory of the Allies is within measurable distance. Just as the Axis leaders are trying to hearten their people with hysterical boasts, so are the Allied leaders calmly reminding us that victory, though assured, cannot be won without further losses, and casualties heavier than anything yet experienced in this war. Nobody except the leaders themselves know when or where the new drives for victory will be struck, but all have a shrewd idea that the blows will be struck very soon, and in so many places that the Axis gangsters will reel apart under them and be less able than ever to provide the mutual support which was the primary object of the Anti-Comintern Pact. Everybody knows, too, that the coming blows will be the result of careful preparation and a complete coordination of efforts by sea, land and air, which will end once and for all the Axis attempts to tyrannise the earth.

During the past year there were many discussions as to the order in which our enemies should be overthrown. The most general view was that Germany should be knocked out of the war before the Allies concentrated upon Japan. If war were an exact science, whose problems could be worked out methodically like those of chess, that view would obviously be the correct one. However, there were other factors which had to be dealt with as they arose. Just as Britain, the great naval base of the west, had to be defended at all costs in 1940, so had Australia, the arsenal of the Pacific, and the spring-board for the counter-offensive against Japan, to be defended. It has not been possible either for the enemy or ourselves to enclose strategy in water-tight compartments. European and Pacific strategy have been closely linked. Japan, like Germany, commenced the war with a series of sweeping victories and conquests that were made possible only by the unpreparedness of the democracies. In spite of the initial advantages of the militarist Powers, Britain survived as a naval base, and the battle of the Coral Sea saved Australia from invasion. These repulses left Germany and Japan entirely dependent on land operations. How Germany tried to make its overland attack through the Near East and India, to link up with Japanese armies pushing through Burma and India, is now a matter of history. An interesting point in the march of events is the similarity of the German and Japanese attempts to evade the barrier of sea power. Germany tried to reach the Suez Canal and the Volga overland. Simultaneously, Japan, finding the sea route to Australia blocked in the Coral Sea, turned to the exhausting overland route, across the Owen Stanley Ranges, and reached Efogi, which is only 44 miles from the enemy's objective, Port Moresby. Here, in September 1942, while British forces held the Alamein line, and the Red Army held Stalingrad, Australian troops fought the less spectacular, but equally vital, battle which hurled the enemy into a final retreat across Papua.

Throughout 1943 the Allies were on the offensive, on all fronts. The phases of the holding war and of the active defence have passed. By the end of the year our forces were striking hard blows at the enemy in every part of the world. A striking feature of the progress of the war in 1943 was the fact that, despite the concentration in Europe, and the location of minimum holding forces to the Pacific theatre, these British, Indian, Australian and American forces have nevertheless been sufficient to deny Japan a single success during the whole year. The next few months will show what shape the final phase of the war is to take. There has been no departure from the Anglo-American strategy of defeating Germany first. The correctness of that move is more obvious today than ever it was, and the move is becoming daily more imminent. In the meantime, Japan has suffered an unbroken series of relatively small but serious losses. An English commentator has suggested that, if the Allied forces in the Pacific have ripened Japan for final defeat, in two years, to a point reached against Germany by far larger forces in three, there is no more striking proof of the correctness of Allied strategy. When the fall of Germany makes it possible to switch Britain's full might to the Pacific, along-
side that of America, Japan's fate will be precisely parallel to that which is now

overstaying Germany.

In reaching a point at which we can hit the enemy when and where we will,
we can claim that 1943 was a successful year. It has enabled us to commence

over taking Germany. Of it being the last year of the war.

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RETURNED ARMY NURSES

Molls Clifton presided over the annual meeting on November 2, Miss Clifton, who has been president since 1939, was re-elected unopposed. Other officers elected were: Vice-presidents, Mrs. Tressider and Mrs. Graham Brown; treasurer, Miss Ashton; secretary, Mrs. Lumley. Well-attended bridge afternoons and social evenings helped to raise a sum of £60, which has been divided between the Red Cross, Seamen's Mission, POW Fund, and the Christmas Hampers Fund. Knitted articles have also been forwarded to the Seamen's Mission. The bridge afternoons will continue in the New Year. The sub-branch is furnishing a room in the Eleanor Harvey Home for aged and incapacitated nurses. The room will be in memory of Sister Watts. The next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, February 3, at 8 p.m.

Compensation for Damage

Before Parliament dissolved last year, Colonel Colett brought up the case of Mr. B. J. Coath, of East Rockingham, in the Senate. Mr. Coath's claims were discussed at State Executive meetings, and the appeal to the War Cabinet was the result. To put the matter in brief, Mr. Coath and his wife had closed their house at East Rockingham and gone to live elsewhere. Personal property included house linen, clothing, jewellery and radio receiving set, household goods, and two horses. Much damage was done in a very wanton manner, and personal effects were removed. Mr. Coath's losses included the head of a windmill, and represented a total of £60. So far the victim has been unable to claim on the Commonwealth, which was sent to the War Cabinet, was far from satisfactory; but, as one paragraph suggested, representations were made to the Deputy Assistant Director of Histories.

The amount of the claim was £71/8/3, the claim being for contents of the house which, the claimant alleged, was razed to the ground by troops. It did not include the value of the missing head of the windmill. The claim elicited the extraordinary response that it could not be said that these items were taken by troops acting in the course of their duty. Accordingly, the War Cabinet made it very clear that the Commonwealth would not be responsible for any act of troops, or for theft or looting by individual members of the Army. Under these conditions there was no other course but to reject the claim.

As "The West Australian" said in a leader of September 9, interpretations of the law given by the Compensation Board in disallowing claims for compensation by civilians against the Army, focus attention on what appears to be a gross injustice. Had Western Australia been declared an operational area, there would have been no difficulty about the payment of compensation, because that would have the effect of removing the matter from the civil authorities (working under inadequate National Security Regulations) and placing it with the military, working under the provisions of the Defence Act. As this is not an operational area, it seems that, if the rights of civilians are to be protected, amended National Security Regulations should be issued, giving the Compensation Board the power it now lacks, to award compensation in all meritorious cases.

During the last war, in all cases in which an investigation showed that damage was caused by certain individuals, those individuals were made to pay. In cases in which the defaulters was not discovered, a levy was made on all members of the unit camped in the vicinity. The Assistant Minister for the Army when replying on behalf of the Government, did not agree that an entire unit should be punished for an offence committed by an individual. One might infer from that that the Government would prefer the denial of justice to an individual. Every officer of the first AIF who served in

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France is familiar with the "reclamation" which French villagers would present on the slightest provocation. As often as not, the men of the unit knew little of sequels to damage committed by them, because their officers had arranged for canteen funds or other funds at the unit's disposal. It was only on rare occasions that the tarpaulin mustered was made.

One thinks that the cost of the Coath claim distributed over a unit would inflict only nominal hardship on each individual soldier. What is more, knowing the Australian soldier as we know him, we feel sure he would much rather 'put in' than have his unit remain under the stigma which must inevitably attach to it.

The assistant Minister said that an investigation of vandalism by troops was proceeding. No publicity has been given to any results of this investigation, but obvious remedy is in the hands of the Government, and it is for us as a League to see that it is found and applied.

The Repatriation Commission and Staff

During the debate in the Senate on the Appropriation Bill in the Senate last October, Senator Collett had something to say in regard to the composition and functions of the Repatriation Commission. As much of the speech breaks new ground on matters that are of vital interest to ex-servicemen, we publish the following extract. Senator Collett said:

"I do not, at this stage, propose to review the whole field of repatriation, or the major problem—rehabilitation—but rather to draw attention to those factors which, in my opinion, require immediate attention. In the first place, I want to express, as a result of knowledge and experience, my confidence in the capacity and zeal of the members of the board of commissioners. Nevertheless, I have the impression that they are being overworked and fatigued, at the moment, tied down to the performance of routine matters that might well be relegated to others. At this stage, there must be a volume of preparatory work and planning to be performed. These should not be delayed, and as the Minister for Repatriation has not yet thought fit to make the extra appointments to the board authorised by Parliament, I can see the future gravely prejudiced. It must, too, be borne in mind that whilst the commissioners plan and authorise in the terms of their powers, it is the deputy commissioners in the States who have to execute and who will have direct contact with the men and women discharged from the forces. Inevitably, new policies will be instituted, and I would like to be confident that the fact is known and appreciated by the State deputies so that they may organise staffs, provide means and accommodation, and arrange institutions to meet increased and varied demands.

I need not remind honourable senators that the numbers to be dealt with, in prospect, are double those of the last great war, and, whilst casualties may not be greater—and so far this is suggested—other factors of complexity will arise demanding study and action. For these reasons I am led to suggest that one or more of the commissioners should visit the States for the purpose of inspecting preparatory measures and plans taken and made, instructing staffs, and, where necessary, arranging consultations with civic and other authorities. This cannot conveniently be done unless extra commissioners are appointed at an early date. Such appointments should be conferred upon men of known administrative capacity who also understand the basic structure of society, have human understanding, and, in addition, a personal knowledge of war and war atmosphere gained by active association with one of the services.

"[Two more Commissioners in Mr. Wilkinson and Mr. Cutler, VC, have recently been appointed.—Ed.]"

Hitherto the medical staff of the commission has been recruited and maintained in a haphazard fashion, and, whilst some excellent men have been secured, little encouragement or opportunity has been extended to them to broaden their clinical knowledge or even consultation within the staff itself. Indeed, there has been, in the departmental methods, a tendency to convert them into clerks associated with records. This naturally has given rise to dissatisfaction, which has been expressed in various ways, and has led, amongst other things, to the institution of expensive and, in some measure, unsatisfactory appeal tribunals, which, with a properly organised, highly trained and zealous staff, rarely would be necessary. I do not blame the Government for the existing conditions. In my opinion the commission is an excellent body, but its functions could be improved, and that is why I am making these suggestions. We must proceed by evolution. I am informed that today, after a lapse of 28 years, no fewer than 29,000 veterans of the war of 1914-1918 are still under treatment by the commission. The number of medical officers on the commission's staff is 62. Nobody knows when this war will end, or even the number of men and women who ultimately will be involved in it. Therefore, the field for conjecture is immense, and now is the time to institute and organise a medical service which, by reason of its extensive
experience in medicine, surgery, hygiene and institutional management, will constitute a valuable and major adjunct to any national health service. The conditions attached to appointments to that service should be such as to attract the best men and women available. A start could be made now by calling for applications from service personnel and establishing a nucleus. As a further preparatory measure I suggest that a plan prescribing the functions, organisations and conditions of appointment to such a service should be the work of a committee composed of the medical chiefs of the Navy, Army and Air Force, aided and strengthened by two civil representatives. In the matters with which I have had dealing, I have a great personal interest of long standing, and I trust that what I have said today will be given the fullest consideration by the Government. I foresee in the work of the Repatriation Commission something which, if it be done properly, will be of extraordinary benefit to the nation as well as to those unfortunate men and women who have to seek medical treatment as a result of their war service.

Compassionate Leave

Referring to the question of compassionate leave to a member of the military forces, the Secretary, Department of the Army, has advised that this question had been recently reviewed and a revised order has been issued.

Under this order, compassionate leave may be granted with pay up to a period of 7 days, plus all necessary travelling time. This leave is not deducted from the member’s normal recreation leave which accrues at the rate of two days a month.

If the circumstances are appropriate for a grant of further compassionate leave in excess of the 7 days, it may also be granted. If the member is eligible for recreation leave the excess period may be granted with pay from such recreation leave.

If the member desires still further compassionate leave it may, in appropriate cases, be granted with pay.

These conditions were adopted after very careful consideration had been given to all aspects of the matter, and the Department considers that they make reasonable provisions for those cases in which a grant of compassionate leave is necessary.

Clothing for Discharged Personnel

The 28th Annual Congress carried a resolution urging the grant of an increased coupon issue to service personnel on discharge. The Federal Congress passed a similar motion in favour of a grant of £25 and extra coupons on discharge. In reply, the Secretary of the Prime Minister’s Department pointed out that all men and women who are discharged from the services are eligible to receive a civilian ration book containing a pro rata number of food and clothing coupons.

The number of coupons removed from the book are determined by the period of the ration year at which the member of the forces is discharged. Clothing coupons are removed in this manner, because the coupons in civilian ration books are intended to cover the purchase of garments required for replacement purposes. In addition, all personnel who are discharged after service of six months or more, are issued with a special ration book containing 150 clothing coupons. It is intended that the coupons contained in this book should enable discharged personnel to obtain initial stocks of civilian clothing.

These arrangements were made after careful consideration and discussion with the officials of the services concerned.

A discharged member is not eligible to receive a special issue of 150 coupons, and the member, considers his existing stocks of clothing are inadequate, special application may be made to the State Deputy Director of Rationing. Individual applications may also be made by personnel discharged after service of six or more months by members who, for some specific reason, consider that the coupons in their civilian ration books and in their special ration books are not sufficient. If such cases are brought to the attention of sub-branches, the discharged personnel concerned should be advised to make individual application to the Deputy Director of Rationing. The Secretary of the Prime Minister’s Department concluded by suggesting that the League should forward detailed suggestions regarding the types and quantities of civilian clothing that are considered necessary for the various groups of discharged personnel, and upon which the Congress resolutions were based.

11th BATTALION ASSOCIATION

A donation of £10 was made recently to the League’s POW Fund. The acting secretary (Mr. Gostelow) reminded all members of the old 11th and of the 2/11th, that they are welcome to the League. The association has done much to maintain the comradery of old members of this famous battalion.

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asked delegates to see that a precis of all Federal circulars was forwarded for the information of sub-branches. It was pointed out that if a referendum was held for further powers for the Commonwealth Government we should see that power was given for rehabilitation, rural development, etc, for returned servicemen, because the Government had no power to pass preference legislation other than for the Commonwealth Public Service.

Repatriation items were first taken, and congress quickly warmed to its task. The first motion on the agenda came from NSW, and asked that the term “war disability compensation” should be substituted for the word “pension” in the Repatriation Act. This was defeated, as it was thought to be too big a job at present to overhaul the various Acts and make the necessary alteration. Another motion from Queensland asked that all increased pensions be retrospective from July 1, 1941. This, too, was defeated. A discussion took place on pensions generally, and eventually a motion by the Tasmanian Branch was carried which read: “That this congress is much concerned regarding the low rates of assessment applying to many war pensions, numbers of pensionable disabilities being assessed at such low rates that the amount received by the pensioner is totally inadequate.” Another motion from Tasmania carried was: “That the Government be requested to amend the Repatriation Act to provide that in the event of a T.P. and I. soldier losing his wife and thereby losing her services, an allowance be granted by the Repatriation Commission sufficient to pay for the services of a person competent to look after his home and his children.” After similar motions from other States had been discussed, a Victorian motion was carried, reading: “That the Repatriation Act be amended to provide for the payment of pension to a man accepted as fit on enlistment and discharged as unfit in res-
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pect of any disability suffered by an ex-service man except where the ex-service man has wilfully concealed the condition on enlistment. The Australian Capital Territory submitted a motion which was passed: "That the dependants of all serving personnel who die during service from injury or from diseases that are certified as 'natural causes' should be entitled to all pensions and benefits under the Repatriation Act." Several motions aiming at flat rate pensions for all ranks, widows and dependants, were defeated. It was argued that the difference was very small from the rank of major on, and it would mean reducing these pensions, as there was little likelihood at present of getting all the pensions increased. A motion was also passed requesting pensions for children of all war and service pensioners born since June 30, 1938. The pension to be retrospective. A motion from W.A. aiming at rectifying an anomaly in the Repatriation Act so as to include under the definition of "member of the family" a child adopted by the parents of a member of the Forces was carried. New South Wales moved: "That service pensions be made available at the age of 55 years"; but this was defeated. It was argued that the census showed that the difference between the civilian and the returned soldier who came under this category was not more than 5 years. To ask for 10 years would possibly give a wrong impression, and employers might use such a point to the detriment of ex-service men in giving them employment. An idea that returned soldiers were 10 years older physically than civilians might gain ground. A motion from the Merredin Sub-Branch was withdrawn to save it from defeat. It read: "That congress press for an increase in Service pensions, as while all other pensions have been increased in conformity with the increased cost of living, the Service pension has not been increased accordingly." The chairman of the Repatriation Commission proved to congress that the pension had been increased in accordance with old age and invalid pensions, and also over a period with war pensions. Congress would not accept a motion from Bunbury: "That the Repatriation Department give to Service pensioners medical and all other privileges which go with a war pension." This was considered to be a form of free hospitalisation. Greater success was obtained for a motion from Subiaco: "That questions on Service Medical Board papers relative to attributability or aggravation of disability be answered only by members of a final medical board on which a medical representative of the Repatriation Department is sitting." It was explained that this was in operation in other States, but in W.A. the shortage of medical men precluded this action. However, the chairman of the Repatriation Commission was favourable, and he said he would do his best to have it in operation in W.A. Another motion from Bunbury requesting that South African Veterans be brought under the benefits for TB contained in Section 21A of the Act was carried. Motions from W.A. for the establishment of homes for TB and mental patients, together with full-time specialists being employed, were carried, whilst the Gosnells motion: "That a Repatriation Hospital be established in Western Australia entirely, separate from the Perth Public Hospital" was also carried. It was stated that everything was in readiness for the building of this ward, and we therefore should follow the matter up if there is delay. The Fremantle motion for extension of medical treatment to places like Kalgoorlie, Fremantle, etc., was lost. The argument against this was that our men were entitled to the best specialist treatment, and this was not available in country centres. Another defeat was the Perth Sub-Branch motion dealing with treatment at Hollywood for all ex-service men and women in receipt of service or war pension, also old age and invalid pensioners who were eligible for membership of the RSL. This was again taken as free hospitalisation, which congress would not accept. NSW succeeded with a motion requesting the appointment of at least one additional Assessment and Entitlement Tribunal. It was stated that such a move was now being taken by the Government. The congestion at present was pointed out, and we must persist in this matter. Subiaco had a motion: "That no medical officer other than one having seen active service be employed by the Repatriation Department," and this caused some debate and explanation by the Repatriation Commission. It was withdrawn on the understanding that a letter explaining the position be sent to W.A. by the Commission. The early start with the formation of Local Repatriation Committees was carried, and in some States they are already in operation. A motion from Albany dealing with the use of area offices as repatriation offices in the country and that committees be formed on which the RSL has representation was carried. Difficulty was experienced in getting congress to accept a motion from W.A. which asked for reciprocity of repatriation between the various parts of the British Empire. Eventually the motion was withdrawn to save defeat.

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after explanation had been given by the Federal President. This would be very difficult to put into practice with such differences in the various countries.

War Service Homes occupied quite a lot of time, and with the Commissioner of War Service Homes present, useful discussion took place. The renewal of activities was desired, and motions from several States, including one from Fremantle Sub-Branch, was incorporated in the NSW resolution, which was carried. It read: "That representations be made to the Commonwealth Government to grant sufficient funds to the War Service Homes Commission to enable them to commence a building programme for discharged ex-service men and women, and the dependants of deceased service men. A motion for the interest rate on money advanced for war service homes not to exceed 2 per cent was carried. There was no support for the motion that the provisions of the War Service Homes Act be extended to soldier settlers, and it was defeated.

Kondinin put this up, and the question of title was the trouble. Considerable discussion ensued on motions to help the ex-Imperialists. There were motions from several States, and one came from Manjimup. The Victorian resolution was eventually passed, reading: "That the League approach the Commonwealth Government with a view to having the service pension benefits extended to the ex-members of the Imperial Forces, subject to the same qualifications as are required by the Repatriation Act."

A motion from Traralgon-Yelbeni with the object of obtaining provision to meet the funeral expenses of Imperial ex-service men who die in indigent circumstances was carried. Efforts have been made in this direction before, and further representations will be made. The Koondoolup motion of one army for Australia was amended and passed as follows: "That this congress reaffirms its policy, having for its object the amalgamation of the Military Forces into one Australian Army for service wherever required." Queensland also had its motion passed, reading: "That the League reaffirms its policy of total conscription of wealth, manpower and national resources for the successful prosecution of the present war." New South Wales pointed out that men were being discharged and then called up again, and they moved successfully: "That ex-service men called up for further service and found fit for duty be afforded the opportunity of rejoining the AIF with the same status as at the time of discharge therefrom." South Australia went for the re-introduction of universal training, and congress was in accord with them: "That it be a recommendation to the Commonwealth Government that universal training be reintroduced as soon as possible, and that the age of commencement of training be 16 years."

North Perth had the concurrence of delegates in a motion they submitted, although it was slightly amended. It read: "That congress views with concern the number of men of military age who are occupying positions in protected industries and public services to the exclusion of returned ex-service men who could efficiently carry out the duties and thus release 'A' class men from base jobs at headquarters." There is no doubt this is an urgent question, but it cannot be done if men being discharged must be vocationally trained before discharge and kept in the Army for that purpose. It was pointed out that manpower was urgently required in industry to meet war needs, and to release 'A' men for the Services, but that these men now being discharged would not lose their rights to vocational training in the future. Also, there was a desire amongst discharges to work for the enhanced wages offering in war industries. When the war is over it will be possible to press our point of training them, but it is difficult, or rather not practicable, at present. Congress agreed to ask for interest at current rates on military pay accruing to prisoners of war. Dumbleyung sent along a motion to this effect at State congress. Conscientious objectors were frowned upon. Press Sub-Branch originally brought this matter up, but their motion was amended to a different form at our congress, and

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Federal Congress considered that those convicted or refusing to take the oath should lose all rights of citizenship. The Calingiri motion was withdrawn to save defeat. It was put out this was now governed by legislation. Further action is to be taken by the State Branch for a convalescent hostel in W.A for men of all the Services. Congress passed a resolution from Queensland reading: “That men drafted from active service who may later be drafted to training camps or depots be trained under the supervision of officers and NCO's who have seen active service, and not by instructors who have not gone overseas.”

Kojonup motion regarding extra compensation and dependants was defeated. It was carried as amended: "That the Government be asked to issue regulations prohibiting the sale of Service chevrons, and that chevrons be issued by the Services only." Delegates agreed that chevrons were being wrongly given to enemy aliens in the respective States, and the desire was to tighten up. The motion from Albany for the free issue of all overcoats and the repayment where amounts have been stopped was passed as submitted by that sub-branch. Mount Marshall had a motion asking for service men to be given child endowment on the first child, but this was defeated. Congress could not see that there should be any differentiation with regard to this. N.S.W. was anxious to have all universities extend their postal courses, and State Branches are to approach their universities.

The VDC motion from Manjimup received good support. That congress urge the Commonwealth Government to enact legislation placing all VDC personnel, whilst on duty, on the same status which governs personnel of the AIF and AMF, for repatriation benefits under the Repatriation Act. These men are at present under the Defence Act and the maximum benefit that can be received is £750, which is not equitable, particularly in the cases of men who lose limbs or suffer injury. We must follow this up.

Queensland asked that the regulation requiring men in non-clerical positions in the Commonwealth Public Service to serve two years continuous before permanent appointment be altered so as the service may not necessarily be continuous. This has been requested before, and was again passed.

Several Certificates of Merit were awarded, and Mr. J. F. Thorn of Kalgoorlie, who has been a consistent supporter of the League, was the recipient from this State.

Aliens came in for lengthy consideration, and the motions from W.A., although amended in some instances, received favourable treatment. Motions from Queensland and New South Wales dealt with enemy aliens being placed in labour units at remuneration applicable in their own countries for the fighting services; with transit camps in protected industries; that the property of those deported be confiscated; that no alien community settlements be allowed; that naturalisation be suspended until 12 months after the war; that no sales of farms or farm leases be made until five years after the war; all these motions were passed. The motion from Perth Sub-Branch was passed as amended: "That any enemy alien who has indulged in subversive activities or utterances, obstructed, or in any way hindered the war effort of Australia be deported on the cessation of hostilities." Another from West Swan was passed as amended: "That congress is of the opinion that the use of languages other than the British tongue in public meeting places should not be permitted." Other States considered there was a lot of dummying going on, and the motion from W.A. "That a review of all land transfers effected since September 1939 take place, where and it is found that enemy aliens are directly concerned in any transfers such transfers be annulled" was carried.

Many matters governing preference had all been dealt with in the League Preference Bill, and it was resolved to ask the Commonwealth Government for advice regarding the result of its consideration of the League's Preference Bill. The same position arose regarding...
Land Settlement, and mainly the matters had been represented in the Land Settlement Bill, which was now being considered by the Government. A motion not moved was from Albany, and was carried after amendment: "That congress urge that advantage be taken of prisoner of war labour to restore to the pre-enlistment state the farms of service men so that soldiers returning to their farms will immediately be in a position to obtain an income from their holdings."

As mentioned previously, vocational training was discussed considerably, and the following motion was passed: "That where a dischargee is not required by the manpower authorities and he desires to be vocationally trained, provided he is eligible, such dischargee be included in the existing Vocational Training Scheme." Collie put forward a motion regarding canteen profits, and this was passed as follows: "That the Prime Minister be requested to arrange for an immediate allocation of a percentage of canteen profits to assist in the educational requirements of the children of deceased and disabled sailors, soldiers and airmen."

Motions regarding health, and the Atlantic Charter were withdrawn, as they come within the League's reconstruction policy, and congress would not pass them. The following motion from Maylands was withdrawn in view of explanation and the fact that congress was against it: "That the League urges the Commonwealth Government to extend war pensions from assessment as income in granting invalid, and old age pensions, as was the case up to 1931, when the Financial Emergency Act came into being." It was pointed out that a man could receive full pension rights and then full rights as an invalid or old age pensioner under this motion. Pensions had become more liberal, and this was not acceptable at present.

In respect to a motion from Tasmania which dealt with the illegal wearing of the RSL badge, it was stated that action could be taken under Section 80A of the Defence Act against offenders. A motion submitted from W.A. reading: "Regarding the establishment of request hours in the Services, congress considers that the procedure in the RAAF for the redress of grievances should be reviewed to allow the airmen being granted interviews with the appropriate authority," was referred to the Federal Office for investigation.

The adoption of the Militia was taken in committee, and was discussed from all angles. The W.A. motion which asked for the interpretation of Rule 5A in its widest sense, to include those who are volunteers or otherwise so that all who come within its scope may be admitted as members of the League was defeated. It was given as the legal ruling that the words "Any person attested or accepted for active service" in Rule 5A meant men were attested and officers were accepted.

The fact that there were no conscripts when the rule was made is proof that it was meant for volunteers. It was finally decided that the question be deferred until next congress.

The motions for alteration to the rules for membership relating to the Mercantile Navy were not accepted. Congress was not prepared to make any changes, as it considered the Mercantile Navy were under different pay and conditions to the other Services.

The Congress closed in a happy mood after a strenuous and full week. It was generally thought that some good work had been done, while the Hobart daily paper, 'The Mercury,' in an editorial said: "A high note of Australian patriotism ran through the sittings of the RSL Federal Congress, which closed at Hobart yesterday. The expeditious manner in which 351 motions from all over Australia were dealt with was due partly to the withdrawal of several because of the possible conflict of a sectional interest with the national welfare. In every instance this was the first consideration. Other withdrawals were due to the attendance of Mr. J. Webster, acting chairman of the Repatriation Commission, and Mr. H. Richardson, War Service Homes Commissioner, who were able to dispose of questions on the spot. The Federal President (Sir Gilbert Dyett) gave a lead on many knotty points, but usually the views of delegates were so much in accord that important decisions were reached with speed and unanimity. A feature of the congress was the arrangement by which the general secretary (Mr. E. V. Raymont) presented copies of the minutes to each delegate every few hours."

Next year congress will meet in Adelaide, and all hope that it will be a "Victory" gathering. At the conclusion of proceedings the party was taken to the top of Mount Wellington, which over-shadowed Hobart, and for a tour of the Huon Valley. The sub-branches of the district entertained at luncheon at Huonville. It was again beautiful weather, and it is something to remember. To those people who were so good to them, each delegate owes grateful thanks.

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John B. Cumming forsook his role as Assistant Director of Rationing to become once again "Long John," the first Signal Sergeant of the 1/11th Battalion when he met his old Sigs, at an informal reunion during his recent visit to Perth. Mark Dunn, Sid Minchin and a couple of others got busy when they heard John was coming to the State. They gathered in about a dozen Sigs, together with "Old Bill" Mansbridge, the first CO of the battalion, and "Mum" Adams, the first Sig officer. An evening, which was all too short, was spent in reminiscences of old days, interspersed with sidelights on the 'life of the present-day signaler in New Guinea. The latter were supplied by Mark Dunn's nephew, Bill Korosky, who was home on 14 day's leave from that unhealthy spot. John spoke of his business trips through Europe. He had quite a lot of interesting things to say about rationing and the reasons therefor; but he failed to produce any 'buckshere' coupons.

Gloucester Park Sub-Branch regretfully reports that two more members have answered the Last Call. On December 12 E. J. Stanley, a young Digger returned from the present war, died as the result of an accident while on a shearing expedition. E. J. Stanley had only living relative is a sister in England, served overseas with the 2/3rd Field Engineers.

Frank McKenzie ("Mac" of the Ozone) passed away on January 4 after a long illness. Gloucester Park Sub-Branch was well represented at the cremation ceremony at Karrakatta. He served with the 10th Battalion during the last war, during which he was awarded the Military Medal. E. J. Stanley was a relative of the famous Ninth Division. One of the first people he called on when he returned to Sydney, was his old friend Fred Aberle, with whom he served for a while in the 10th. After joining the 16th Mr. Bull eventually was transferred to the Home Service and from his base did most of his war service. Noticing his badge, a well-known local broadcaster asked him what sub-branch he belonged to in Sydney. The local man was astonished to learn that it was an AAC sub-branch, and there is also an ABC sub-branch in Melbourne. Members of the Commission's staff in this State mostly belong to the Press Sub-Branch, though two are very active members of Mt. Hawthorn-North Auxiliary.

A recent visitor to Anzac House was Mr. Tom Summons of the Moora Sub-Branch, who saw service with the Light Horse in Palestine, during the last war. Mr. Goode makes a regular contribution by purchasing lottery tickets in the hope that he will land the big prize for the Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Fund. He is 73 years young himself, and can still do a good day's work among stud sheep, of which he has a very wide knowledge.

A gallant comrade, Mr. Tommy Simpson, of the Upper Chapman Sub-Branch, passed away on November 13. Flags flew at half-mast at Birdwood House, Geraldton, and throughout the surrounding district. The late Mr. Simpson represented Upper Chapman at the annual State congress through a long sequence of years. He was also a prominent and consistent worker on behalf of soldier settlers, and had been president of his sub-branch for 15 years. As a sub-branch president, he will always be remembered for his great understanding, wisdom and unfailing service to his fellows.

It is with a regret that will be shared with veterans of the last war, and hospital patients from the present war, that we report the death of Madame Bennett Wilkinson, who passed away in the Repatriation Hospital on January 13, following an accident at the Stirling Highway, Nedlands, on Sunday night, when she was hit by a bus. Her work for soldiers started during the last war, when she organised concert parties for men in camps and hospitals. Between the wars, she continued this good work and, in spite of her advanced age, she has been devoting the greater part of her time to the entrance of the new limbs. Madame Bennett Wilkinson attained her 81st birthday on August 6, and celebrated it by entertaining men in the Repatriation Ward of the Perth Hospital.

Our Mosman Park correspondent reports that many of the younger members of this sub-branch, who have served in the present war, are taking a lively interest in sub-branch discussions. Ron Warr is coming into prominence, and more should be heard of him as time goes on. Among the younger men to come under notice is George Nelson. Incidentally, George is a connoisseur of cheese, and his fellow members have benefited greatly from his expertise with this commodity.

Mr. Roy Johnston, one of the old members of Osborne Park Sub-Branch, had his two sons with him at the sub-branch's Christmas celebration. One of the boys belongs to the famous Ninth Division. The other is with the RAAF in New Guinea. Mrs. Johnston is one of the most active supporters of the sub-branch, and is well to the fore in all local patriotic activities.

Osborne Park Diggers are feeling regretful at present because the genial host of the local caravanserais, Mr. Joe Datchens, has been compelled to go back to hospital. He has had a run of bad luck recently, having lost a married daughter a few weeks ago. Mr. Datchens had two previous turns in hospital. During the last war he was, for some time, a prisoner of war in Germany. We join with Osborne Park members in wishing this good old Digger a speedy return to good health, and much better luck during 1944.

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Mr. Kitson added that he would prefer to improve the position of those children who can be expected to benefit from their attendance at a high school. The question of various allowances for country school children is, however, being reviewed at the present time. The Minister is hopeful for improvement in several directions.

At the end of the year there were 34 returned soldier patients and 11 civilian patients in the Edward Millen Home. The holiday season renewed the old friendships which were officially visited by members of the Victoria Park, Bassendean, North Perth, and Carlisle women's auxiliaries during December. Members of the auxiliaries' State Executive also visited the Home. On December 13 H.E. Exequency Lady Mitchell, accompanied by Mrs. Alexander and Mr. Charles Taylor, visited the Home, and Lady Mitchell had a few words with each patient. Another pleasant visit was that of Mr. H. Taylor, C.B.E. On all these visits, gifts and comforts were distributed, and musical programmes were provided. On Sunday, December 19, Miss Mary Meares and her helpers decorated the wards, and on Monday the 20th Mr. P. Croswait, a Scotchman who has been in Australia for 36 years, provided high tea and a concert programme. Ladies of the Maylands Auxiliary planned a visit for the New Year. All these visits and gifts have been greatly appreciated. The patients have also to thank the Bullsbrook and Cranbrook Auxiliaries, the W.A. Branch of the RSS & AILA, the management of the Swan and Emu Breweries, and the W.A. Turf Club for their kind remembrance of old comrades during the festive season.

Returned soldier patients in the Claremont Mental Hospital are extremely grateful for the Christmas dinner provided by a grant from the League. The dinner left many happy memories with those who partook of it. At the commencement, there was much groundwork to be done. Mr. H. J. Lane, who was in charge of the arrangements, was ably assisted in various ways. The work was done by the storekeeper of the institution, Mr. Cliff Taylor, who spared no effort, and went to a lot of trouble in ordering various items that only he was able to order. The goods were delivered to the store at Claremont for safe-keeping. There were volunteers to make the preparations and to serve the meal. They were all ex-servicemen, who are members of the hospital staff, and there were willing workers among the patients also. Dr. Bentley, the former Inspector-General, who attended the function, was accorded a hearty welcome by the patients. He addressed a few words of cheer to them.

A Red Cross Christmas gift was greatly appreciated by the patients.

In the East End of London, not far from Clerkenwell, there flourishes a dairy farm. Imagine, if you can, a herd of cows, grazing in a field. In stead of walking all over their freshwater, dinner and tea, as their country cousins do, they sit back and have their food brought to them—slabs of grass-cake made, it is presumed, from dried grass. These urban cows supply all the milk for a London maternity hospital.

Just what the occupied countries of Europe will need, in the way of food, during the six months after the end of the war, is detailed in a report recently made public by the Inter-Allied Committee on Post-War Requirements sitting in London, and submitted to the delegates at the UNRRA Conference, in Atlantic City, USA. The report estimated Europe's minimum needs in raw materials, foodstuffs and other necessities of life at 45,855,000 tons. These figures exclude the requirements of the Soviet Union, whose needs will be assessed separately. Enemy and neutral countries do not figure in this statement.

A story which has reached London from Norway shows that the Norwegians have not lost their talent for repartee. An elderly Norwegian, carrying an umbrella, entered a cafe to find it full of German officers. They immediately began to "chip" him, commencing their remarks with the words, "Oh, Mr. Chamberlain..." When the Norwegian felt that he had stood their taunts long enough, he mounted the table, opened his umbrella, and jumped to the floor, saying, "Oh, no. Rudolph Hess."

A lad on leave from New Guinea told us how he and his comrades voted during the Federal election. Actually, the Australians in the front line voted in the midst of shot and shell. The soldiers voted four days ahead of the official polling day. With the Japs often less than 100 yards away, the troops calmly cast their ballots and recorded their votes. In many cases, soldiers crept back from their weapon pits, one by one, to mark their papers, and then crept back again to allow another Digger to do the same. The little extra protection provided by the enemy, they managed to keep their minds on the job of voting—at least for a time. The electoral officers, on the other hand, had many weary miles to travel over back-breaking mountains.

The Nazis have again threatened dire penalties for those caught listening to the BBC broadcasts. A Frenchman, who escaped from a Nazi camp this week, told the BBC that listening-in is a bond itself among Frenchmen. "It extends to radio repairs," he said. "I, myself, managed to get a burnt-out valve replaced in three or four days, because my dealer knew me by the BBC that was listening."

London is a kind of password among resistors in France. In many of the cafes the proprietor will go round to customers and give them a hint when it is time for a BBC news bulletin, and once by the night and disappear into a little back room. "When," the Frenchman added, "one knows a man is a BBC listener, one knows one can be sure of him, and that you are both on common ground."

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ARTILLERY COMRADES

The four monthly meetings since Gunners' Day have been very successful. The foundation of an Artillery Scholarship Trust has been laid. The association is financially sound, and the 6th Battery Artillery which has been stationed at W. H. Heddon's home since 1941, is in the same position. The next meeting will be held in the Board Room at Anzac House on Saturday, February 5. The secretaries are endeavouring to post everyone an Artillery Calendar for 1944. Mothers who have not received calendars are asked to send correct address, and they will get them by return post. The interests of young artillerymen are being looked after by W.X Sergeant Ernie Henley, the assistant secretary. He wants to see more of the new boys at the February meeting.
Scabbards Off
By Pip-Tok

Just as most newspaper readers were becoming fed up with the "Advance Australia Fair" controversy, a section of the Press began to slate the Australian Broadcasting Commission for alleged parsimony in the amount of prize-money offered in a competition for a national song. The fact that none of the papers so gravely concerned have ever offered, such a prize, or done anything else to encourage local musical composers or verse writers, seems to have been overlooked by the humorless editors and the semi-educated curiosities who write letters to their half-baked opinion columns. What is also overlooked is the fact that the prize-winner also wins good publicity for the effort. The prize-winner still retains the publishing and other rights and, if the composition leaps into immediate popularity, as did the Marsellaise and less inspiring efforts in our own day, a return for the winner's labour is assured that would have made composers of the last century gasp. On the other hand, the winning of a composition is no guarantee of immortality. Many years ago the Sydney Bulletin offered a prize for the best Australian war poem, or an "Australhase," as the Bulletin termed it. The winning verse was well worth the prize-money, but can anyone remember it today? Such might easily be the fate of the winning national song; just as it is the fate of the scores of prize poems that win the bays at universities throughout the Empire every year. In the light of all these factors, the prize-money offered by the Australian Broadcasting Commission is liberal rather than parsimonious, despite mischievous and ill-natured assertions to the contrary.

Little Maxie Falstein, MHR, has been in the limelight again. He received great publicity when he entered the RAFF, and another helping when his colleagues at Canberra turned handsprings because he had to face a court martial and pay the penalty for insubordination. At a later stage the Press in every State trumpeted the fact that he had passed out of a school of instruction with great credit. Now Maxie has applied for transfer to the RAFF reserve. Underlying the whole career of Mr. Falstein appears to be the idea that there should be one law for the member of Parliament and one for the ordinary citizen who joins up. His transfer to the reserve has been protested against by Labour organisations in the Eastern States, and now the New South Wales State Council of the League has decided unanimously to ask the Federal Executive to press for the withdrawal of the commission in the RAFF held by Mr. Falstein or, alternatively, to ask that his name be removed from the reserve list of officers.

The execution of Count Ciano, the aged Marshal de Bono, and other notorious Fascists, for voting for the deposition of Mussolini, was a characteristic manifestation of gangster psychology. They were liquidated just as any rebellious members of Al Capone's gang might have been "bumped off" in Chicago. At the meeting of the Grand Fascist Council which deposed Mussolini, Ciano is reported to have refrained from voting; but it is also reported that Mussolini screamed, pointing at Ciano: "That man has betrayed me ever since he entered my house". This all shows that among people like Nazis, Fascists and the milder gangsters who lived and had their being in Chicago, blood ties are merely the ties of expediency and loyalty non-existent. Ciano's father was not a member of the real Italian aristocracy, as stated in local papers. He was a naval officer who served with some distinction in the last war, and was raised to the peerage when he became an early adherent of Fascism. His son married Edda, Mussolini's daughter, and the only one of Il Duce's children with any pretension of brains. Early in his career, Ciano was Italian Consul at Shanghai, where the eldest child was born. They nicknamed the babe "the little Chinaman," on that account. Probably because he was such an unmitigated bounder, Ciano was virtually ostracised by the British and American communities in Shanghai, nor was his domineering wife any more popular. They developed a bitter hatred of Britain, and this bore fruit when Edda negotiated the Rome-Berlin Axis. That link-up was the hate-child of the Cianos. We cannot join with so-called Anti-Fascist stay-at-homes in gloating over this man's ignominious end, but there is this to be said about it: His execution was well-deserved, and it has saved the Allies a job in the war.

Godfrey Talbot, the BBC broadcaster, has repeated a story told him by an American Army sergeant. The story be-

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longs to the days of the Tunisian fighting, when the American Fortresses were making their first contact with Montgomery's men. The sergeant said that on one occasion it had been a matter of some urgency for him to find a particular advance unit of the Eighth Army. On turning a corner at speed, he came upon a small group of soldiers in battle dress. He pulled up and shouted an inquiry as to where he could find such-and-such unit. Instead of answering my question, the sergeant went on, "This man told me pretty plain, sir. He's a sergeant, and that's General Montgomery." He replied, "That isn't a sergeant—thats General Montgomery."

It was announced recently that the League of Service is busying itself with the selection of a National Day for Australia. We already have January 26, the anniversary of the foundation of the first colony in Australia, and each State has its own foundation day. Presumably the idea is to agree upon a National Day that will be acceptable to all the States; but what is surprising about the proposal is the overlooking of the fact that we already have a National Day in Anzac Day, the day that is held in special reverence in New Zealand as well.

Legal Aid for Servicemen

Mr. E. S. Pearson, the officer-in-charge of the legal service bureau, which is being conducted in the Commonwealth Crown Solicitor's Office, explained that the Right Hon. the Attorney-General, Dr. Evatt, has given instructions that the service which has previously carried on by the bureau shall be expanded considerably.

Hitherto the bureau has given advice on matters arising out of the National Security Act and the Regulations and Orders made under that Act. In future the activities of the bureau will be extended to assistance in the conduct of applications in relation to National Security matters, and to opposition to applications.

Documents such as wills, powers of attorney, contracts of sale and the like prepared for the Forces and their dependants, and in addition notices to quit and other notices required under the National Security (Landlord and Tenant) Regulations and the National Security (War Service Moratorium) Regulations will be expanded.

In matters arising out of the National Security Regulations where members of the Forces or their dependants would be prejudiced by lack of skilled representation in court, Mr. Pearson will appear for the serviceman or his dependants or will make arrangements for some other solicitor to appear.

In cases where a member of the Forces is charged with an offence in a Court of Petty Sessions the bureau will consider the matter, and in cases where there is any merit in the member's case and where the means are without sufficient means, skilled representation will be granted or arranged for.

In divorce matters the bureau will advise members of the Forces on the sufficiency of the evidence which they have available, and if need be, the manner in which further evidence should be obtained, and in cases where the evidence is considered sufficient to justify a petition to the court for divorce the bureau will assist by arranging for a solicitor to undertake the proceedings at a reasonable fee.

The member of the Forces will be required to pay the solicitor's fee, and if he is without means the bureau will arrange to pay his fee, and if he is without means the bureau will arrange to pay his service pay.

The bureau will advise servicemen and their dependants on their rights to pensions and other benefits under the Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act and will assist the serviceman in making out and carrying through claims to the Repatriation Commission Appeal Tribunals.

In general, the law as the sergeant said, is that the law as the sergeant said, is that if a soldier remains on active service, and that if a soldier remains on active service, his dependants will be entitled to any benefit under the National Security (Landlord and Tenant) Regulations and the National Security (War Service Moratorium) Regulations, or any other regulations made under the National Security Act.
Land Committee; (b) a communication was received from the Pingrup Sub-Branch and referred to the Land Committee; (c) the Under Secretary for Agriculture forwarded a communication and information contained in this was not agreed to. The State Secretary was instructed to reply to the Under Secretary by letter. The matter was referred to the Land Committee; (d) Mr. F. Lucas wrote concerning a Land matter, and this was referred to the Land Committee.

Personal Case.—It was resolved that a copy of a communication from Dr. Field-Martell be forwarded to the Rehabilitation Officer, and a letter be sent to the doctor thanking him for his interest.

Confirmation of Officials.—Confirmation of appointment of officials of the Nungarin Sub-Branch was approved.

Army Propaganda.—The Mt. Lawley Sub-Branch wrote concerning Army propaganda. This correspondence was referred to the Membership Committee.

Aged Sailors and Soldiers’ Relief Fund.
—The Manjimup Sub-Branch wrote in connection with the Aged Sailors and Soldiers’ Fund. Referred to the committee concerned.

Commonwealth Salvage Commission.—A communication was received from the Commonwealth Salvage Commission, and it was decided that this should be mentioned in the next State Secretary’s Sub-Branch Circular.

Kalgoorlie Publicity.—Kalgoorlie wrote in connection with publicity, and a reply was left to the State Secretary.

**Sub-Branch Activities**

**MT. HELENA**

Three new members were enrolled at the December meeting, which took the form of a Christmas rally. The toast of "New Members" was responded to by Mr. Oliver, of Sawyer's Valley. He then proposed "Old Members," to which the secretary (Charlie Griffiths) responded in his usual cheery mood. Old war songs and reminiscences occupied much of the evening. Other musical items were given by Sinbad Pain, Charlie Griffiths, Tom Woods. The evening was a most enjoyable one.

**OSBORNE PARK**

The drawing of the Christmas gifts on December 17 was greatly enjoyed. It was preceded by a dance, which resulted in a large addition to the amelioration fund. There was a good attendance at the New Year’s Eve dance, which was superintended by the president (Mr. A. J. Dans), with Mr. A. Groat as MC and organiser. Appropriate music was given by an army visitor, and a ladies' committee provided a tasty supper. The sub-branch will celebrate its silver jubilee in April. It is expected that some of the foundation members, as well as new members from the present war, will be present.

**NAREMBEEN**

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting on December 5:
President, T. J. Touchell; vice-presidents, H. McKay and F. W. Butler; secretary and treasurer, J. H. Wyley; committee Messrs. Bland, McColl, Miller, Mayes, Fielder and Mortimer, and L. W. Rodgers. After routine business had been disposed of, a social was held. Members had the pleasure of welcoming as a new member, an old and well-tried Digger from Nannup, Mr. A. J. Deane, who has been transferred to Narembeen as postmaster.

**SUBIACO**

Nine new members were enrolled at the monthly meeting on January 5. Among these were two sons of old members (Messrs. P. E. Wilson and E. M. Skinner) and a repatriated prisoner of war, Mr. J. Boise, who addressed the meeting on his experiences. He stressed the value of the parcels, and mentioned that the treatment given by the Germans had improved during the past year. Many letters of thanks for canteen orders were received from serving members of the sub-branch. The sub-branch has had a very busy month. There was a games competition with Mt. Lawley-Inglewood on December 15, in which both sides were strongly represented. On December 18 there was a children's Christmas party in the afternoon, and a ball for adults in the evening. Both were well attended, and returned a considerable sum to the building fund. Gus Norton ably played the part of Father Christmas. On December 23 a Christmas greeting night was held. Unfortunately, ill health prevented the president from attending, but his deputies ably carried out the necessary duties. The New Year’s Eve dance attracted nearly 200 patrons, and again the building fund scored. Games are being carried on every Wednesday evening. The Old Year closed, leaving behind a record on all activities.

**VICTORIA PARK**

The December meeting, which took the form of a social evening, was well attended. Seven new members were enrolled. The sub-branch had the pleasure of entertaining several of the men from Edward Millen Home. Messrs. Bateson and Wilson of the State Executive, were present. The artists who entertained the company were Diggers Roy Atkinson, Alf Hayes, Bob Maitland, Tom Timms.
and Jack Cunningham. On December 15 the ladies of the auxiliary closed a strenuous year with a social. The president (Mrs. True) presented £21 as a Christmas gift to the sub-branch. This was greatly appreciated. Members are reminded that subscriptions are now due. The secretary's address is No. 3, Manchester Street.

MOSMAN PARK
More new members were enrolled at the November meeting. The president reported that further progress had been made in obtaining enlarged photographs of the two local VC's. The portrait of Jimmy Woods, VC, is nearly completed, and he is on the track of a suitable likeness of Group Capt. H. I. Edwards, VC. POW donations are still coming forward, but a greater in-flow would be acceptable. The temporary lull in Dart Club activities is reflected in the falling off. It was good to see Wilf Bartlett on the job recently, and apparently in improved health. It was decided that the December meeting should take the form of a sporting night, instead of the Christmas smoko. Improvements to the hall are again the order of the day. Much evidence of the activities of some members may be seen every time the hall is visited.

December meetings on the 2nd and 10th were well attended. New members were welcomed at each meeting. The main business before the sub-branch is still the building of a modern soldiers' club in Fremantle, and the possibility of the amalgamation of the City and North-East Fremantle Sub-Branches. The latter will be in abeyance until the second meeting in February. The meeting on December 16 was attended by three members of the State Executive's Management Committee (Messrs. Edmondson, Cornell, and Col. Margolin). They had received a deputation from the North-East Fremantle Sub-Branch during the afternoon, and came to get the feeling of members on the subject of amalgamation. The secretary reported that a cheque for £1.40 had been sent to headquarters for the 1944 effort on behalf of the POW Fund, and in conjunction with the East Fremantle Club, £6 was raised at a dance on New Year's Eve for the Crippled Children's Holiday Fund. A pleasing ceremony took place after the meeting, when the president presented Mesdames Webb and Winter and the ladies of the canteen, with an ash tray and cigarette holder. This was in recognition of their unfailing kindness in serving supper to members at meetings. The gift was made at the disposal of the sub-branch by Ben Stringfellow, who is always doing these quiet and unselfish acts of this kind. Ben is one of the oldest stalwarts of the League in Fremantle.

COTTESLOE
The January meeting was well attended, considering it was held in the holiday season. The president (Mr. Hubbard) welcomed four new members. Amongst our visitors was Jack Adams, a member of the 2/3ALF who has just been repatriated from Italy. Jack, an old member of the sub-branch, spoke of his experiences while a POW. The POW Fund benefits to the amount of £13, collected at the meeting, proceeds being partly augmented by a raffle of a table cloth of £2, purchased by Bill Cringle, one of the 2/3ALF. It was won by a new member, Mr. A. L. Hendry, who also won the prize donated by Mr. Allan Jones. The evening was spent in games and good cheer, and was an enjoyable one. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 1, when we hope to see a big roll-up. On that night another raffle of 6 ducklings, donated by our secretary (Mr. Laycock), will be conducted in aid of the POW Fund.

ARMADALE
At the annual meeting Spencer Gwynne was again elected president, unopposed, as was also Jack Sturrock (secretary), A. J. Barber (vice-president), J. Balston (steward Aged Soldiers' Fund), C. Marsh (auditor), and Dick Millman (management committee). Elected were F. May (vice-president), A. H. Barber (auditor), and A. H. Barber (committee). Membership totals 130, including 10 from this war. Finances are good, there being £212/16/ in the building fund, war bonds £160, ladies' committee £40, and amelioration £18. The secretary was granted an hour of £5. The Road Board is being asked to make the block of land available which is held in trust for the sub-branch for building purposes.

WEST LEEDERVILLE-WEMBLEY
All records were shattered on January 10 by the largest attendance ever recorded at our ordinary sub-branch meeting. Contributions to the POW Fund totaling £109 have been made. Two new members were welcomed in Messrs. H. R. Randell and M. Scott. New officers were installed for 1944 and the retiring president (Mr. W. McCulloch) installed S. H. A. Bolton as president, and Messrs. V. E. Trode, sec.-vice-president, and F. Stephens, jun., vice-president. Secretary and treasurer, Geo. Newton; Warden of War Memorial, F. P. Gulley; sub-warden, E. Tonkinson and W. Haines; sports director, F. Stephens; publicity officer, V. E. Trode; auditor, F. Cornish; committee, Alex Hood, H. E. Smith, V. E. Kinman, H. Ingle, A. Hughes, E. Tonkinson, J. C. Campbell, I. Crowe, K. W. Ashton, F. Perkins, J. Holdcroft, S. Sparrow, H. Perks, S. Gordon, A. Gordon and J. B. Boleace.
MT. LAWLEY-INGLEWOOD

The meeting this month had a pleasant relief, as members present had the pleasure of listening to a most interesting talk by Senator Alan McDonald on his trip half round the world as a member of the Empire Parliamentary Association. What he said was well worth hearing, especially for those who knew the bomb-damaged towns and cities he had visited. He also said a lot about Britain's war effort, particularly the way in which the women were fitting into the picture. These notes have recently been criticised for not having anything in them; but members must realise that we can only report the meeting. Space is limited, and we can only report items of general interest. We cannot, for obvious reasons, report personal questions, and for the rest, we are not a grindstone for anybody's axe. So it's up to you to start some discussions of general interest and provide some meat for these notes and make the meetings interesting. Management committee, January 25; monthly meeting, February 1; membership, February 8; social committee, February 15. On and after February 1 all meetings will again be held in Wallish's Hall.

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At the Perth Sub-Branch annual meeting held at Monash House on Tuesday, January 11, the following members were elected as officers for the next 12 months: President, M. Lewis; vice-presidents, A. Laughton, S. Stirling, R. Macgregor and R. W. Hills; treasurer, G. Tubman; honorary secretary, H. E. Dawson; committee, W. Holder, R. Colcutt, P. McGowan, F. Bateman, W. Irving, F. Cornes, J. E. Stevens, E. Sinclair, McMillan, J. O'Farrell, W. Wylde and Capt. Cooper.

GLOUCESTER PARK

The attendance at the January meeting was very fair, though not up to expectations. One of the main items of business was the transfer of Mr. R. (Dick) Cornish, M.L.C., of the State Executive. It is pleasing to note that several ex-members of the 2/AIF are now filling executive offices. The young Diggers generally not only attend the meetings regularly, but display the keenest interest in all matters pertaining to the League. Music for community singing was supplied by Messrs. W. Green and H. Folkard, while the "Housie House" introduced and run by the old war-horse Ted Cunningham proved a most popular innovation. The serving of refreshments was very capably handled by Frank Raston and his two assistants. Members are reminded that meetings are held in the Wembley Hall, Hay St. (East), on the first Thursday of each month, and are urged to roll up and support their officers in endeavouring to augment the amelioration fund, on which so much depends in the future.

MAyLANDS

From an excellent Christmas meeting, the sub-branch went into recess until January 13. At the following meeting offers for the ensuing year will be nominated. Very few toasts were offered at the Christmas meeting, the time being taken up in disposing of good cheer, and the various items submitted by good artists. Jack Holman was at his best, and was ably supported by some very good turns. Eric Devies was the only State Executive member to speak, which he did in his usual forceful manner. The grievance of returned men at the Maylands aerodrome being discharged before non-returned men was reported on by Capt. Ron Fleming. With secretary Ali Cook and Eric Davies, representing the League, he waited on the company concerned. After discussion, arrangements were made which should prove satisfactory to all concerned. Members are reminded that subscriptions are due. The secretary will be saved a lot of work if these are paid promptly.

ALBANY

The president (A. H. Richardson) was in the chair at the meeting on January 4. The transfer of Mr. W. J. Mitchell from the NSW Branch was received. A new member, Mr. L. Wellstead, of the 2/11th Battalion, was welcomed. The amount realised from the goose club for the distress fund was £25/3/6. It was unanimously resolved that donors of trees be thanked through the Press. Membership at December 31 was 187, during December six old members rejoined, and six new ones were added to the strength. The painting and overhaul of the flag pole was left in the hands of Mr. R. C. Whiteford. The decoration of the gun at the Memorial was discussed. It was resolved to take this matter up with the council again. It was resolved to call for assistance in the work of packing waste paper and despatching it to Perth. The matter of the discharge of members of the forces, the difficulty they experience in getting tobacco, and those of men released for seasonal work is to be taken up with the State Executive.

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Mrs. J. McKinlay writes: War-time restrictions have in no way curtailed the giving of Christmas cheer by the women's auxiliaries—even as far as the Wooroloo Sanatorium. Many town branches gave teas and distributed gifts of money, tobacco, fruit and sweets to our ex-service men in the hospitals and institutions. The donations received from town and country auxiliaries by the State Executive were allocated as directed. Members visited Edward Millen, Heathcote, Home of Peace, Wooroloo and the civilian wards, Perth Hospital, dispensing the Christmas cheer in the form best suited to the needs of the patients. Greetings were sent to Sunset and Lemnos, to be followed by an afternoon tea this month. The Repatriation Ward is also to have a special visit. Mrs. Henderson and I accompanied the Maylands Auxiliary on their Christmas visit to the sick bay at the Leeuwin. In the past two months Mrs. Henderson and I have attended a children's ball at Maylands and Christmas parties at Nedlands and South Perth. Mrs. Henderson was present at Victoria Park's social, while I visited Subiaco in November for their 21st birthday party, and in December for a children's afternoon fancy dress party. On December 18 I was invited to represent the RSL Women's Auxiliaries at the welcome home given by the Red Cross Society to a number of repatriated prisoners of war. The function took place at Hollywood, and was a thoughtful gesture on the part of Mrs. McNeil, Hon. Director of the POW Bureau, who was hostess. Our sympathy is extended to Miss I. Hawtin on the sudden-passage of her father, who was keenly interested in our work and always ready to help. Would secretaries please note that Mrs. Henderson's address is 25 Kitcheener Avenue, Bayswater, and her phone number U2352.

SUBIACO

At the December meeting, the following donations were made to provide Christmas cheer at institutions: Edward Millen £3/3/-, Heathcote 10/6, Wooroloo 10/6. An amount of £10 was donated to the sub-branch building fund. Gifts were sent to two members (Mrs. Henderson and Miss Pam Elfverson) who are in hospital. The picnic outing for Lemnos patients, early in the month, proved an enjoyable outing. In conjunction with the sub-branch, the auxiliary conducted a successful children's party on the afternoon of December 18, and an adults' carnival ball in the evening. The auxiliary State president (Mrs. J. McKinlay) was present. On December 23 a concert party was taken to the Lady Mitchell Convalescent Home, where gifts were distributed. Monthly visits have been made to ex-service men in other institutions. The euchre evenings, directed by Mrs. Crilley, have continued throughout the year. More players would be welcome. The camp comforts committee continues to do good work. This year each boy and girl from the district in the forces received a canteen order, as parcels were not practicable through shopping difficulties. The December entertainment at Hollywood was a larger party than usual. Eighteen members of Lady Mitchell Convalescent Home were also present. The president (Mrs. Sadler) cut the Christmas cake. Sports practices are held in the RSL rooms on Monday evenings. Early in the New Year a sports evening is to be arranged between the auxiliary and the sub-branch. Auxiliary and sub-branch conducted a very successful New Year's Eve party.

CARLISLE

A pleasant afternoon was spent at the last meeting of the year on December 13. Afternoon tea was served. The president gave each member a calendar and best wishes for the festive season. The first job of 1944 will be the serving of afternoon tea and the gift of a handkerchief to each patient of the Edward Millen Home.

MT. HAWTHORN-NORTH

LEEDERVILLE

December was a very busy month, during which members provided Christmas cheer for Sunset Home, Wooroloo, Edward Millen, Lemnos and Old Women's Home. The ladies formed a party and visited the Mission to Seamen, taking with them a Christmas donation and supper. The evening was a very enjoyable one. The year's activities closed with a supper provided by the president (Mrs. Stockman), who wished all the members the compliments of the season. The first meeting of 1944 was held on January 6.

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<td>28th Battalion Association</td>
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<td>October</td>
<td>C. A. P. Gostelow, 42 St. George's Terrace, Perth</td>
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<td>EX-Machine Gunners' Association</td>
<td>Greigson's, 33 King Street, Perth</td>
<td>Friday before Anzac Day and 2nd Friday in October</td>
<td>W. H. Burtwell, &quot;D&quot; Flat, Stirling Court, 48 Stirling Highway, Nedlands</td>
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<td>44th Association</td>
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<td>Annual reunion, Monday of Show Week</td>
<td>M. Lewis, 403 Fitzgerald St., North Perth</td>
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<td>16th Battalion Association</td>
<td>Committee, as arranged</td>
<td>2nd Wednesday</td>
<td>C. L. E. Mangolfin, 62 Tyrell Street, Nedlands</td>
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<td>28th Battalion Association</td>
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<td>Nearest Saturday, July 19</td>
<td>H. J. Edwards, 37 Hamilton Street, East Perth</td>
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<td>32nd Battalion Association</td>
<td>Anzac House, Perth</td>
<td>When called</td>
<td>R. A. Geddes, 6/9 Millers' Timber &amp; Trading Co. St. George's Terrace, Perth</td>
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<td>10th Light Horse Association</td>
<td>Room 33, Ban Marche Buildings, Barrack Street, Perth</td>
<td>1st Monday in each month</td>
<td>E. O. Davies, 77 Mabel St., North Perth</td>
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<tr>
<td>Partially Blinded Soldiers' Association of Australia, W.A. Branch</td>
<td>Monash House, corner Hay and King Streets</td>
<td>Monthly</td>
<td>J. F. Davies, 27 Dunbrack Rd., Claremont</td>
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<td>South African and Imperial Veterans Association</td>
<td>At Office, Room 33, 2nd Floor, Ban Marche Building, Barrack Street</td>
<td>1st Monday in each month</td>
<td>W. Rower, 8 Viewly, Nedlands</td>
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<td>Totally and Permanently Disabled Soldiers' Association</td>
<td>Anzac House, Perth</td>
<td>1st Payday of the month at 2.00 p.m.</td>
<td>W. P. Griffin J.P., 87 South Street, Balcatta</td>
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## R.S.L. SUB-BRANCH DIRECTORY

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<td>T. H. Sarre, Clifton Street, Collie</td>
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<td>Albany</td>
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<td>1st Tuesday, 7 p.m.</td>
<td>A. C. Wallis, Ballidu</td>
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<td>Ballidu Districts</td>
<td>R.S.L. Hall</td>
<td>When called, Sat., 8 p.m.</td>
<td>H. E. Minchin, 28 Kenny St., Bassendean</td>
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<td>Bassendean</td>
<td>Town Hall—Lesser Hall</td>
<td>Alternate Thursday (pension days) 7.30 p.m.</td>
<td>R. S. Avon, Brookton</td>
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<td>Brookton</td>
<td>R.S.L. Clubrooms, Bullbrook Town Hall</td>
<td>1st Saturday, 9 a.m.</td>
<td>Gus Pickett, 46 Wooleen, Brookton</td>
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<td>Bullbrook</td>
<td>R.S.L. Hall</td>
<td>1st Sat., monthly, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>J. Walsh, Zoe St., Bunbury</td>
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<td>Bunbury</td>
<td>Town Hall</td>
<td>3rd Monday</td>
<td>M. J. Colpitts, Anzac House, Perth</td>
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<td>E. D. Fordham, Gordon Bay, Collie</td>
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<td>Balingiri</td>
<td>Canning Hall</td>
<td>When called</td>
<td>K. C. Finch, 53 Beatty Ave., Carlisle</td>
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<td>Canning Districts</td>
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<td>T. H. Sarre, Clifton Street, Collie</td>
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<td>Carlisle</td>
<td>Bickford Memorial Hall</td>
<td>Thursday, 6 p.m.</td>
<td>J. Brenner, 219 Bickford Memorial Hall</td>
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<td>Collie</td>
<td>Soldiers' Hall</td>
<td>Alternate Tuesday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>S. J. Hubbard, 5 McNeil St., Collie</td>
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<td>Corrigin</td>
<td>Town Hall</td>
<td>1st Saturday in each quarter</td>
<td>W. Ford, 13 Shenton Road, Claremont, F1909</td>
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<td>Cottesloe</td>
<td>Council Hall, Jarred Street</td>
<td>1st Thursday in each month</td>
<td>I. Tunnell, Darlington</td>
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<td>J. Sloper's Premises, Port Denison</td>
<td>3rd Thursday in month</td>
<td>M. G. Baker, Donnybrook</td>
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<td>Denmark</td>
<td>Memorial Hall, Town Hall</td>
<td>1st Saturday each month at 6 p.m.</td>
<td>R. A. Richards, 51, Maitland Road, Donnybrook</td>
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<td>Dongara</td>
<td>Dumbleyung Hall, Dumbleyung Hotel</td>
<td>Last Monday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>L. M. Powell, Busselton</td>
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<td>B. M. Ferguson, 19, Dalwallinu</td>
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<td>E. J. G. Spence, 103, East Perth</td>
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<td>1st and 4th Mondays</td>
<td>R. S. Piper, &quot;The Grumpe&quot;, 22, Craig Street, Fremantle</td>
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<td>T. B. Spence, 21, Craig Street, Fremantle</td>
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<td>Geraldton</td>
<td>Wembley Hall, 347 Hoy St., East Perth</td>
<td>1st Thursday</td>
<td>W. A. Badger, 30, Geraldton</td>
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- The following are directors and committee members:
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  - W. J. Douglas (Busselton R.S.L., Busselton)
  - W. J. Sorensen (Collie R.S.L., Collie)
  - J. H. Pollock (Jandakot R.S.L., Jandakot)
  - R. S. Parker (Pyramid Hill R.S.L., Pyramid Hill)
  - W. A. Badger (Dubbo R.S.L., Dubbo)
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<td>2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m.</td>
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<td>HARVEY</td>
<td>R.S.L. Memorial Hall</td>
<td>Every 2nd Tuesday in month at 8 p.m.; Executive, all Fridays</td>
<td>T. W. D. Smith, Herbert Rd.</td>
<td>D. H. Johnstone, Box 29, Harvey</td>
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<td>KALGOORLIE</td>
<td>Soldiers' Institute</td>
<td>Man Committee, 3rd Sunday, after V.D.C. parade</td>
<td>J. R. Hylton, Great Boulder</td>
<td>C. J. White, 24 Addis St., Kalgoorlie</td>
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<td>KATANNING</td>
<td>Clubrooms, Carew Street</td>
<td>Monthly, 3rd Wednesday, at 8 p.m.</td>
<td>J. J. O'Driscoll, Wilmot</td>
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<td>KELLERBERRIN</td>
<td>Kooker Public Hall, alternatively</td>
<td>Quarterly, committee 1st Friday</td>
<td>Frank Nicholls, Doodlakine; phone 4</td>
<td>Allan Ross, Doodlakine; phone 4</td>
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<td>KORDA</td>
<td>Koorda</td>
<td>Last Saturday, quarterly (Jan., April, July, Oct).</td>
<td>E. W. Robinson, Koorda</td>
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<td>KUKINER</td>
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<td>Q. Hamilton, Kukerin</td>
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<td>LAKE GRACE</td>
<td>Lake King Hall</td>
<td>2nd Sunday in month, the second Thursday of each month</td>
<td>H. M. Kelk, Kukerin</td>
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<td>LAKE KING</td>
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<td>MANN BARREY</td>
<td>R.S.L. Board Office, Boarding inn</td>
<td>First Wednesday in month, at 8 p.m.</td>
<td>Mr. G. K. Lawley</td>
<td>J. S. Lawley</td>
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<td>MARRADONG BODDINGTON</td>
<td>Suspension, room, Town Hall, Maylands</td>
<td>2nd Sunday in month, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>T. J. Townley</td>
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<td>MAYLANDS</td>
<td>Meckering and Cunderdin Hotels, alternatively</td>
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<td>MECKERING-CUNDERDIN</td>
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<td>R.S.L. Hall, Johnston Street, Cootes</td>
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<td>Lou Thompson, Lakeside</td>
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<td>MOBARLEY</td>
<td>Road Board Hall, Mooroora</td>
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<td>H. R. Reid, Lakeside</td>
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<td>Grand Hotel, Mt. Mahon</td>
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<td>Mt. MAHON</td>
<td>Soldiers Memorial Hall, O.R. S. Street, Leaderlee</td>
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<td>R.S.L. Board Hotel, pictured</td>
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<td>A. G. McKenzie, 58 Dundas St, adytech, Tel. U1218</td>
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<td>MUKINNUNDIN</td>
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<td>NEDLANDS</td>
<td>Picture Theatre Building, Broadway, Nedlands</td>
<td>2nd Tuesday in each month</td>
<td>P. F. O'Meara, 32 Arundel St, Nedlands</td>
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<td>East Fremantle Town Hall</td>
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<td>NORTHAM</td>
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<td>North Perth Bowling Club House, Woodville Reserve</td>
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<td>F. Archer, East Fremantle</td>
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<td>OSA BANDA-GRANTS</td>
<td>O.S.A. Band BROAD ARROW</td>
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<td>Grammar School, Main Street, Osborne Park</td>
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<td>E. T. Robertson, Pithara</td>
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<td>OSPORNE PARK</td>
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<td>H. M. O. Noble, Water Supply</td>
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<td>PERTH (Office hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)</td>
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<td>S. J. Young, Water Supply</td>
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<td>PINGELLY</td>
<td>At Luncheon, Y.M.C.A., Murray Street, Perth</td>
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<td>P. J. Bead, Water Supply</td>
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<td>PITHARA</td>
<td>Queensland Hall, Main Street, Osborne Park</td>
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<td>PUBLIC SERVICE</td>
<td>Quadrating Hall and Dunquin Hotel, alternatively</td>
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<td>J. H. Mitchell, Osborne Park</td>
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<td>QUARRING-DANGIN</td>
<td>T. F. Fraser's Buildings.</td>
<td>2nd Tuesday in each month</td>
<td>J. H. Mitchell, Osborne Park</td>
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<td>REDDY</td>
<td>Progress Hall, Onslow Road</td>
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<td>SHENTON PARK</td>
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<td>SOUTHERN CROSS</td>
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<td>SUBIACO</td>
<td>R.S.L. Hall, 81 Townend Road, Subiaco</td>
<td>2nd Tuesday in each month</td>
<td>T. J. Tippett, 37 Pithara</td>
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<td>TRAVLING-YELINIA</td>
<td>Memorial Hall, Safford Street, Subiaco</td>
<td>4th Sunday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>William McCulloch, 75 Kimberley St., West Leederville</td>
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<td>VICTORIA PARK</td>
<td>Town Hall, 23 Kimberley Street, West Leederville</td>
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